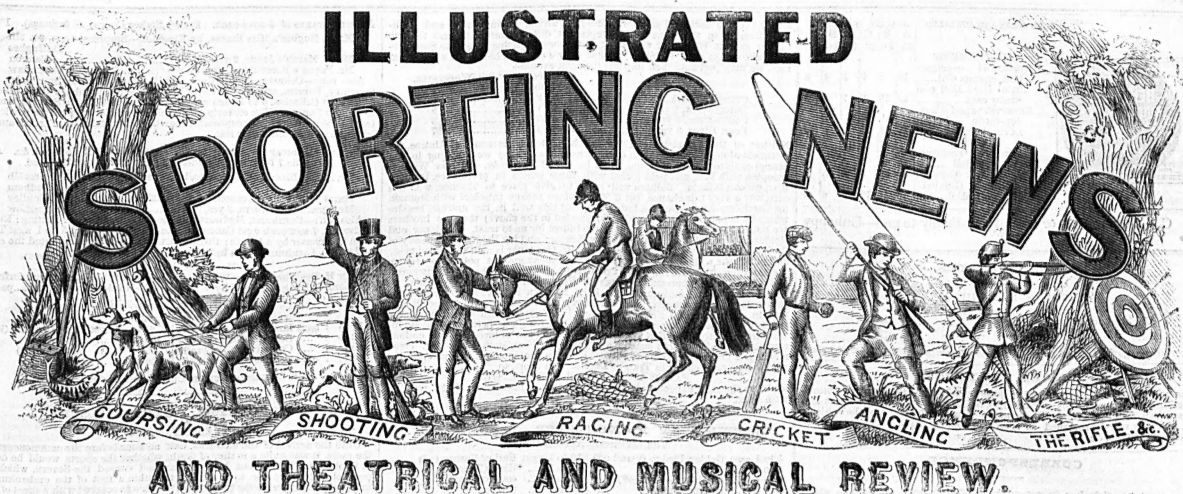


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### NOTICE.

THE PROPRIETORS BEG TO ANNOUNCE THAT THEY HAVE IN PREPARATION

**A Splendid Two-Page Engraving**

**OF THE TWELVE CRICKETERS**

WHO HAVE JUST LEFT FOR AUSTRALIA.

**THE JOCKEYS OF ENGLAND.**

No. 2,

**CHALLONER,**

IN ACTIVE PREPARATION.

### A WILD BOAR PRESERVE AT DARMSTADT.

This most beautiful trees in the neighbourhood are seen by making an excursion to the Faunstein, which is entered by the Dieburg-road. Here the Grand Duke has what the Greeks called a paradise, or preserve for wild boar and deer. A little way into the forest there is an obelisk to the memory of a man famous in forest-management, and near this a picture of the present Emperor of Russia, when grand duke, shooting from a box at a wild pig. It is slanderously surmised that the grand-ducal gun was sufficiently disrespectful

to miss fire on the occasion. From the forester's house, where is the best coffee in Germany, it is a sight to go at sunset, and see the wild swine fed. The visitor mounts in a box, which renders him secure and comparatively invisible. The attendant scatters a sackful of acorns in a circle, like a necromancer summing up spirits of darkness, and like spirits they come to the appointed hour without being called. First two hungry black sows with large families of red little ones begin to munch the acorns; these are panic-stricken and fall back, surmising the presence of a stranger. The little pigs, or "frischlinge," are ordered to stand at a respectful distance till the prudent mothers have reconnoitred thoroughly, grunting, sniffing, and snuffing all round. They are not yet quite satisfied with the sight of matters. Next appear in the gloom a few of the gentlemen, looking black and ghostly, and moving about with the speed of hares; but on this occasion there is a want of confidence, since some mischievous wag, a week before, had shut the slide of one of the pens when all the young ones, who were fed separately, were in it, and frightened them so that they had not forgotten the occurrence. At last, as soon as the stranger departs, the whole herd of fifty or a hundred come down with a great rush and rattling of leaves, and demolish the acorns at their leisure. Halfway to Dieburg, about two miles farther on, is a solitary forest-house called Einsiedel, or the Hermitage, where cider is to be had, and the feeding of swine may also be witnessed by the curious. The hunting-seat attached to this park, called Frankenstein, was honoured by a private visit of our Queen this summer, when her daughter was residing there.—*Blackwood's Magazine.*

### COURT OF QUEEN'S BENCH.

(Before the Lord Chief Justice, and Justices, Wightman, Blackburn, and Mellor.)

**RODMAN V. THE WEST MIDLAND RAILWAY COMPANY.**

This was an action brought by the plaintiff on Monday to recover damages against the defendants for the loss he sustained in the destruction of the celebrated racehorse Shillegagh, of which he was the owner. The declaration attributed the loss to the negligence of the defendants' servants. The defendants at the trial pleaded not guilty of negligence. The case was tried before Lord Chief Justice Cockburn, and resulted in a verdict for the plaintiff, with damages £1,000.

Mr. Hawkins, Q.C., now moved, in accordance with leave reserved, for a

rule calling on the plaintiff to show cause why the verdict should not be set aside, and a nonsuit be entered, or for a new trial, and why the damages should not be reduced to £50. The horse ran successfully in July last, and after the race he was taken to the station, with other horses, to be forwarded to London. There was no truck hired, nor ticket taken for him; but he came down with the other horses, about ten o'clock, on the morning of the 12th of July, after the races. The trucks were drawn up for the purpose of receiving the horses, and a railway porter cried out, "Now, this way for the London horses." It seemed that some of the bridges were out of repair, and the horses in passing to the trucks had to go through a passage about seven feet wide, formed of iron girders. Viscount Brignall was the first horse led up, and he was immediately followed by Shillegagh, who, on hearing a noise, shied, and struck out, and striking his foot against the sharp edge of an iron girder, was seriously injured, and he ultimately died from the effects of the injury.

Lord Chief Justice Cockburn: The jury might have been warranted in finding negligence on the part of the groom, as against the other side. The evidence was that Viscount Brignall, on entering his box, kicked, and that Shillegagh, startled by the noise, as such horses often were, shied, stepped back, and injured himself in the manner described. The defendants ought not to have had such a narrow passage, and there was clearly negligence on the part of the company, and there was clearly negligence on the part of the groom; but the jury did not find so.

Mr. Hawkins submitted that if the plaintiff was entitled to recover at all, it was only for £50.

The Lord Chief Justice: Take a rule nisi on the second point to reduce the damages.

Rule nisi accordingly.

**STRANGE FEAR OF A CAT.**—A Brussels journal relates the following anecdote of a cat in that city, and declares it to be a positive fact:—The mistress of the cat having drowned all its young ones, the poor animal suffered much from excess of milk, and was observed for some days afterwards to make her appearance only at meal times. At last, an unusual noise having been heard in the cellar, the servant went down to ascertain the cause, and found the cat lying on her side, and suckling a brood of eight young rats, which had apparently been abandoned by their dam. For a week longer the cat continued thus to feed her natural enemies, but at the end of that time, being no longer incommoded by her milk, she one morning killed them all.



THE STRUGGLE FOR THE CAMBRIDGESHIRE STAKES.

(DRAWN EXPRESSLY FOR "THE ILLUSTRATED SPORTING NEWS," BY BEN. HERRING, ESQ.)

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THE TURF.

OUR ILLUSTRATIONS.

Our artists have been as happy in their work this week as they have been industrious, for the series of pictures which appear in the present impression of the ILLUSTRATED SPORTING NEWS are replete with faithfulness and beautiful illustration.

THE LIVERPOOL AUTUMN CUP.

The programme for the Autumn Meeting of the ensuing week, though not sufficiently complete for us to thoroughly analyze in our present edition, is of a lavish and brilliant character...

and the course itself will suit her. Crough Patrick, Donnycree, and Bithfield, though in the same stable, represent different interests, and the two former ran at Worcester last night, Donnycree being second to Strathmore, who was in the first place. As to the two changed horses were also in the race, we may just note their positions for each event:-

BETTING AT MANCHESTER, WEDNESDAY.

Table with 2 columns: Race details and Betting odds.

NEWMARKET HUGHTON RACES. (CONCLUDED).

SATURDAY, OCT. 31st.

In order to give spectators time for the settling of their accounts, which had been stopped by the unfortunate dispute for the Cambridgehire, the sports on the sixth and final day of the last Newmarket Meeting this year did not begin until twelve o'clock, and it was not until two o'clock that the racing was resumed.

A HANDICAP PLATE OF 50 SOVS. Cambridgehire Course (1 mile 20 yds.).

Table with 2 columns: Race details and Betting odds.

A SWEETSTAKE OF 10 SOVS. each. R.M. (1 mile 17 yds.). 5 sush.

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WORCESTER AUTUMN RACES.

TUESDAY, NOV. 3rd.

Until the arrival of the stewards, half an hour before the commencement of the races, it was quite a matter of doubt whether the sports would be held at Hetherington. The recent heavy rains had caused the Severn, which runs in parallel with the course, to be swollen to within a foot of the embankment in places.

A HANDICAP PLATE OF 50 SOVS. (added to a sweepstake of 50 sush. each, for two-year-olds. T.Y.C. (a straight half mile). 47 sush. 1.

Table with 2 columns: Race details and Betting odds.

A SELLING HANDICAP OF 15 SOVS. each, 5 sush. 1 of whom declared. A.E.C. (1 mile 7 furlongs 68 yds.).

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A HANDICAP SWEETSTAKE OF 5 SOVS. each, with 25 added. About one mile. 30

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THE SEVEN BANK STAKES OF 5 SOVS. each, p.p., with 25 added, for horses that have won a sweepstake of 50 sush. 15 sush.

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**THEATRE ROYAL.**—The resuscitation of the romantic drama of "The Sea of Ice" attracted, irrespective of the miserable weather, a very large attendance at this repository of Monday's fun. The play was introduced with entirely new costumes, dresses, and decorations, and the elaborate and effective manner in which the drama was introduced to the public reflects the greatest commendation on the efforts of the management. The piece in itself is interesting, exciting, and improbable, and, as it abounds from beginning to end with startling incidents, pathos, and effects, it will be found invaluable to the patrons of temperate or sensational representations. We have not the space to offer even a moderate criticism on the pretensions of "The Sea of Ice" as a standard

## THE GRAND NATIONAL STEEPLE CHASE RULES.

This new steeple chase rules have received various amendments since they were first published in our column last autumn; and, as the season when they will be useful is now drawing nigh, we give them complete. The latest amendment, which was announced in the *Racing Calendar* last week, occurs in Rule 12, the alteration being printed in italics.

1. The rules concerning horse-racing in general, as published in the *Racing Calendar*, apply to all steeple chases, with the exception of Rules 42 and 43, and also with the following exceptions and additions:

2. The decision of the stewards, or whosoever they may appoint, is final in everything connected with steeple chases, and there is no appeal whatever to a court of law.

3. A walk over shall in no case be deemed necessary, either after a dead heat or otherwise. It shall be sufficient if a horse be weighed for mounted, and proceed to the starting-post, when, if no competitor appear in due time, he shall be considered the winner of the race. Such horse shall be liable to carry extra weight as a winner.

4. The term "winning horse," in reference to those liable to carry extra weight, or those to be excluded from any race, shall apply only to winners of 20 sores or upwards, not including the winner's stake, or of some prize of equal value, and not to the winner of hurdle races, flat races, or matches of any kind.

5. A maiden horse or mare is considered one that has never won a "steeple chase" of the value of £20 or upwards, not including the winner's stake; and a horse that has never started is one that has never started for a "steeple chase" of the value of £20 or upwards, not including the winner's stake.

6. Any rider in a steeple chase where the ground is not flagged out going upwards of one hundred yards on any high road, lane, or public thoroughfare, will disqualify his horse from winning, although he should come in first.

7. Any rider in a steeple chase where the ground is not flagged out opening any gate or wicket, or passing through any gateway or common passage from one inclosure to another, will disqualify his horse from winning, although he should come in first.

8. Any horse getting away from his rider may be remounted in any part of the same field or inclosure in which the occurrence took place; but should he be ridden or brought back to the one in which he parted from his rider, any jockey not losing his horse may be assisted in catching and remounting his horse may be ridden home by any person of sufficient weight, providing he

declared the winner of a steeple chase, although he should come in first, if it can be clearly proved to their satisfaction that the jockey, by any deliberate foul riding, intended to knock down any horse, or in any determined way to jeopardise his chance of success in the race. Any jockey who shall be found guilty of foul riding shall be fined—for the first offence a sum not exceeding £25, and for the second he shall be prohibited from riding until such time as the stewards shall think fit.

16. If any flag, post, or boundary mark be placed in the course, no matter by whose order, after the riders have been shown over the ground, or had the line of country pointed out and explained to them, it shall not be considered binding or of any effect, unless such alteration or addition shall have been particularly named previous to starting to all jockeys about to ride in the races by one of the stewards, the clerk of the course, or by their representatives.

17. If a horse refuse any fence in a steeple chase, and it can be proved to the satisfaction of the stewards that he has been led over a fence by any of the bystanders, or has been given a lead over one by any horseman not riding in the race, the horse shall be disqualified from winning, although he should come in first.

## PEDESTRIANISM.

## MATCHES TO COME.

## NOVEMBER.

- 7.—Bodlow and Foster—150 yards, £25 a side, City Grounds, Manchester.
- 7.—Fielding and Schofield—to run a mile, £20 a side, Higginshaw Grounds, Oldham.
- 7.—Hewitt and Wakefield—100 yards, £20 a side, Copenhagen Grounds, Manchester.
- 7.—Jinks and White—120 yards, £5 a side, Aston-cross, Birmingham.
- 9.—Edwards and Purcell—100 yards, £20 a side, High-part, Fenton.
- 9.—Andrews and Culmer—to run a mile and a half, £15 a side, Culmer to have 50 yards' start, Bromington.
- 9.—Beet and Clifford—to run two miles, Aston Cross.
- 12.—Charnock and Travis—120 yards, £25 a side, Newton-heath, Manchester.
- 14.—Broadbent and Piton—to run three miles, £10 a side, Higginshaw Grounds, Oldham.
- 14.—Albion and Sanderson—to run a mile, £25 a side, City Grounds, Manchester.



## "THE HANDICAP."

(AN ORIGINAL DRAWING BY BEN HERRING, ESQ.)

be qualified according to the provisions of the race. No penalty shall be exacted for carrying over weight in this distance.

10. Should the weather or ground be in a doubtful state for running, it shall be left entirely to the stewards, who may order the chase to be postponed for any time whatever, according to their discretion; and all nominations, subscriptions, and bets shall stand good the same as if the chase had taken place on the day originally fixed.

11. In nominating a horse, gelding, or mare, the first time for a steeple chase, its full pedigree must be given, if known, otherwise it shall be sufficient to state its age, colour, and the name in which it has, and is hereafter, to run, together with such descriptions as will distinguish the animal from any other running in a similar name, either in flat races, hurdle races, or steeple chases.

12. Should the name of any horse be changed after having been once entered in either a flat race, hurdle race, or steeple chase, it shall be necessary in all subsequent entries to state his original name, as well as any other names under which he may previously have been entered.

13. Every person who shall ride for a steeple chase shall be weighed immediately after the same, and shall be allowed 4lb above the weight specified for his horse to carry (provided that horse be not increased by immersion in mud or water), and no more, unless the weight he actually rode be declared as the weight he intended to ride; and if any horse shall carry more than 4lb above his weight, without a declaration having been made by the jockey or the owner of the horse, or by some one on his behalf, to the Stewards or the Clerk of the Course, or to the person appointed to weigh the jockeys, before starting, then such horse shall not be considered the winner of the race, even though he should come in first, but shall be placed as the last horse in the race, and his owner shall pay the stake as for a beaten horse; and whether the horse come in first or not, the jockey shall be fined £5 for his neglect, and shall not be allowed to ride in a public race until the said fine be paid. The person appointed by the stewards to weigh the jockeys shall, immediately after each day's racing, report to the clerk of the course how much each horse carried, where he carried more than 4lb above the specified weight; and the clerk of the course is, as soon after as may be, to communicate such report to the stewards, or one of them, and the weight of each horse actually carried, if more than 4lb above his weight, shall be published in the first list printed after the race.

14. In all handicaps with twenty subscribers the lowest weight shall be lost, and when the highest weight accepting is under 12st 7lb, it shall be raised to that weight, and the others in proportion.

15. The events of all horses whose stakes and forfeits are not paid shall be published in the *Racing Calendar* at the end of every year; and Messrs. Weatherly, Old Burlington-street, London, or whosoever they may appoint, are the persons to whom all stakes and forfeits for the different steeple chases are payable.

16. The stewards shall have the power to disqualify any horse from being

- 14.—Thompson and Watson—120 yards, £15 a side, Victoria Grounds, Leeds.
- 14.—Griffiths and Johnson (amateur)—Two-mile race for a silver cup, Bromington.
- 14.—Oldfield and Shaw—120 yards, £10 a side, St. George's Grounds, Hoveley.
- 14.—Carter and Haydon—to run two laps round St. Thomas's Grounds, Thridale, for £25 a side.
- 16.—Young Mountjoy and Richardson—to walk four miles, £10 a side, Mountjoy to have 250 yards' start, Bow.
- 16.—Times and Owen—400 yards, for £10, Times to have five yards' start, in side, Bow.
- 16.—All England Handicap, 350 yards, £12 in money prizes, Aston Cross, Birmingham.
- 16.—Meacock and Mills—100 yards, £25 a side, City Grounds, Manchester.
- 16.—Andrews and Knight—120 yards, £25 a side, Salgo Inn, Andenshaw.
- 16.—Burns and Mills—120 yards, £5 a side, Ash Tree Grounds, Thridale.
- 16.—Handicap, 400 yards, £10 in money prizes; also a Five Mile Walking Handicap, for a cup and money prizes, Hackney Wick.
- 16.—Handicap, 400 yards, for a large silver Challenge Cup, Prince of Wales Ground, Holloway Heath, Birmingham.
- 16.—Handicap, 500 yards, £12 in money prizes, Aston Cross.
- 21.—Bodlow and Nuttall—500 yards, £25 a side, City Grounds, Manchester.
- 21.—Poppell and Thompson—150 yards, £15 a side, Victoria Grounds, Leeds.
- 21.—North London Rowing Club Athletic Sports.
- 23.—Moore and Warlow—to run a mile, £10 a side, Bowling Green Inn, Macclesfield.
- 23.—Underwood—to walk seven miles within the hour, £15 a side, Garratt-lane.
- 23.—Pattock and Tucker—150 yards, £5 a side, Bow.
- 23.—Lester and Thompson—to walk seven miles, £5 a side, Aston Cross.

## HANDSWORD

IMPORTANT AND EXCITING WALKING MATCH FOR £50.  
 CORSEBATES GROUND, GARRATT LANE.—These truly fine grounds were well attended on Monday, and notwithstanding that the weather was most unpropitious, the character of the company was a sure index that a match of more than ordinary interest was upon the cards for decision. It is but right to state that the new proprietor, Mr. George Woods, has made great improvements, and we cannot do better than quote the words of the renowned William Lang among the best in England—and for training are unequalled—when the conveniences, accommodation, &c. are taken into consideration. The match on Monday was between  
 CHARLES THOMAS, OF THE CITY, AND THE STOCKWELL NOVICE.—This was to

walk seven miles, for £25 a side, and we may at once premise that a better, a fairer, or a gamer contest could not well be imagined, alike as honourable to vanquished as it was to the victor. Both use a *nom de guerre*, and Thomas has been known in two or three rather important matches on previous occasions, in one of which he even contended against the renowned William Hatley. On this occasion he had the powerful support of the "Hackney Wick" division, and the presence of the manager of the "North-Eastern Currier" was proof positive that something more than ordinary was about to take place. Thomas had trained under the "eagle glance" of Mr. William Price, and it is said that his condition was fine as scarcely necessary. Stockwell, it is but justice to say, had "not trained," strictly speaking, no more than his usual steady and temperate habits had done for him, for he had diligently attended to, and performed, the duties of his situation up to the Saturday night previous; he was, however, well, and "Joe" was loudly cheered by his fellow-workmen in his game exertions. Had he had the opportunities of his opponent, it is just possible that the verdict might have been the other way. To complete the distance of seven miles twenty-eight circuits of the course had to be made. Mr. Woods was the referee; Jim Howes attended upon Thomas, and J. Rowland upon Stockwell. The course, notwithstanding the heavy rain which had fallen, and which continued to fall during the greater portion of the match, was in excellent condition. Precisely at four o'clock they started, and kept well together until the first bend had been entered into, when Stockwell electrified all present by putting on a tremendous spurt. The splendid condition of Thomas, however, was equal to the emergency, and at the first quarter of a mile they were again shoulder to shoulder. Again and again did Stockwell dash away, and ever and anon get full a dozen yards in advance; but they finished side by side the first mile, accomplished in 7 min. 55 sec. Two miles were performed in 15 min. 20 sec. when Stockwell had a lead of a couple of yards. In the third mile Thomas went away, and Stockwell, cheered on in his exertions, strove to the very tension of nature to keep with him. Thomas finished the third mile in 25 min. 16 sec. 30 yds ahead; the fourth mile in 31 min. 50 sec. 40 yds to the good; five miles in 40 min. 20 sec.; six miles in 48 min. 50 sec. and still the lead in favour of Thomas. During the progress the last mile the interest was intense, although in distress, struggling most gamely. He was doomed to defeat, however, for Thomas eventually passed the post first by about 25 yds, having completed the distance in 56 min. 35 sec.—seven miles 5 min. 45 sec. under the hour. Stockwell just managed to pass the mark, and then fell heavily, quite exhausted. We are happy to say that the poor fellow was not hurt, and it was refreshing to witness how his "mates" endeavoured to soothe him on his defeat.

## BROMPTON.

WEST LONDON CHICKEN GROUNDS.—There was a most unusual amount of contests decided here on Monday, in the presence of a good muster, the following epitome showing the principal events:—

LINES AND OLIVER.—A walking match of one mile, in which Oliver stacked 45 to 55. Oliver led for three-quarters of a mile, when a sharp struggle ensued, shoulder to shoulder, for another 300 yds, when Oliver again went in front, and won by five yards, the time being 8 min. 8 sec.

THE 100 YARDS HANDICAP.—This was for various money prizes, given by Mrs. Lawson, of the White Horse, Rupert-street, Haymarket, and the competitors were divided into six heats. First heat was won by Patey's Novice, 42 yds start, by half a yard; Emmett, 14 second. Second heat was won by Hunt, 8; Drighthon, 7 second. The third heat fell easily to Nightingale, 10; Roper, 8 second. Fourth heat: Nunney, 12, won easily; Moore second. The fifth was won by Small, 7, after a good race with Smart, 9. Sixth heat: Mather, 15, beat Mann, 10, by a yard. The above six winners were again drawn in three heats, when Hunt beat Patey's Novice by three yards, Nightingale beat Nunney by a yard, and Small beat Mather by a yard. In the final heat Hunt and Nightingale ran the distance out, but Small remained at the mark by some mistake in firing the pistol—i.e., therefore, remains in abeyance.

BROWN RACE.—This was a spin of 120 yds. over 10 hurdles, between J. Brown and C. Manns, for £10. Brown was the favourite, but he fell at the eighth hurdle, so Manns won as he liked.

A 100 YARDS RACE, for £10, between two amateurs, Messrs. J. R. and C. H., which the former won by a yard, finished the proceedings.

## NOW.

PRINCE OF WALES OLYMPIA RACE GROUNDS.—These excellent grounds, under the management of the well-known ex-champion, Jean Puley, have assumed a great popularity on the Saturday, the half-holiday movement lending not a little to ensure a large attendance. Such was the case on Saturday last, and among the several contests decided, the following are those which call for notice:—

LANEY AND KNIGHT.—A good deal of importance was attached to this match, which was a spin of 120 yds. over 10 hurdles, a great deal of speculation depending upon the result. Both parties were sanguine upon their own man, Austey, but before the start, being made the favourite at 6 to 4, and his friends were very sure it was agreed to go by report of pistol, there was none of that anxiety as "mutual consent" loss of time, which so often takes place in sprint races. At the sharp report of the pistol, Knight, who was much the quickest on his pins, gained an advantage by a full yard, which threw his friends into "rampant joy" for he rattled away with a will, and they looked winning as a "dead certainty." Austey stuck to his work most manfully, and, by thorough gameness,



## THE JOCKEYS OF ENGLAND.

No. 1.



**GEORGE FORDHAM.**

FROM A PHOTOGRAPH BY W. H. MASON, BRIGHTON.

(For Memoirs see Page 2.)







